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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	
BLANCHE et al.	) Group Art Unit: 1652
Application No.: 10/724,598	) ) Examiner: K. Kerr (Prior Appln.) )
Filed: December 1, 2003	Confirmation No.: 8180
For: METHODS OF INCREASING THE PRODUCTION OF COBALAMINS USING COB GENE EXPRESSION (As Amended)	
MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450	
Sir:	

## SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend it as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**In the Abstract**: A copy of an Abstract is attached as a separate paper following the Remarks.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.